

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 HB2525

Introduced 2/18/2015, by Rep. Michael W. Tryon

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-5.12b new

Amends the Medical Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that over-the-counter medications that are prescribed to a recipient of medical assistance by a physician, a physician's assistant, a nurse practitioner, or any other medical care provider qualified to prescribe medications shall be covered under the State's medical assistance program. Provides that pharmacies providing prescribed over-the-counter medications shall be reimbursed at the same rate determined by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services for prescription medications covered under the State's medical assistance program. Requires the Department to establish guidelines and standards by administrative rule on the documentation, if any, a medical care provider must submit when prescribing an over-the-counter medication to a recipient of medical assistance. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by adding Section 5-5.12b as follows:
- 6 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.12b new)
- 7 5-5.12b. Over-the-counter medications. Over-the-counter medications that are prescribed to a 8 9 recipient of medical assistance under this Article by a physician, a physician's assistant, a nurse practitioner, or 10 any other medical care provider qualified to prescribe 11 12 medications shall be covered under the State's medical assistance program. Pharmacies providing prescribed 13 14 over-the-counter medications under this Article shall be reimbursed at the same rate determined by the Department for 15 16 prescription medications covered under the State's medical 17 assistance program. The Department shall establish guidelines and standards by administrative rule on the documentation, if 18 19 any, a medical care provider must submit when prescribing an over-the-counter medication to a recipient of medical 20 21 assistance under this Article.
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

becoming law. 1